

**REMARKS**

Applicant requests reconsideration and allowance of the present application in view of the foregoing amendments and the following remarks.

Claims 4, 7-10, 13-23, and 25-28 are pending in the present application. Claims 4, 7, 13, 15, and 25 are the independent claims.

Claims 1-3, 5, 6, 11, 12, and 24 have been cancelled without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter recited therein. Claims 4, 7, 13, and 25 have been amended. No new matter is believed to have been added.

Initially, Applicant acknowledges with appreciation the indication that claims 15-23 are allowed and the indication that claims 4, 7-10, 13, 14, and 25-28 recited patentable subject matter and would be allowable if rewritten in independent form to include all of the features of their respective base claims and any intervening claims. By the present Amendment, none of claims 15-23 has been amended. Thus, it is respectfully submitted that claims 15-23 should remain allowed. By the present Amendment, allowable claims 4, 7, 13, and 25 have been rewritten in independent form to include all of the features of their respective base claims and all intervening claims. Claims 8-10, 14, and 26-28 depend variously from allowable claims 4, 13, and 25. Thus, it is respectfully submitted that claims 4, 7-10, 13, 14, and 25-28 are now in allowable form.

Claims 1-3, 5, and 6 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103 as being unpatentable over the conventional power supply device described in the background portion of Applicant's disclosure in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,465,991 (Chang) and U.S. Patent No. 6,069,811 (Moriguchi et al.). Claims 11 and 12 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103 as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent 6,043,705 (Jiang) in view of Moriguchi et al. Claim 24 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103 as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 6,804,127 (Zhou).

All rejections are respectfully traversed for the reasons set forth above.

In view of the foregoing, Applicant respectfully submits that the independent claims patentably define the present invention over the citations of record. Further, the dependent claims should also be allowable for the same reasons as their respective base claims and further due to the additional features that they recite. Separate and individual consideration of the dependent claims is respectfully requested.

Applicant believes that the present Amendment is responsive to each of the points raised

by the Examiner in the Official Action. However, if there are any formal matters remaining after this response, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned to attend to such matters.

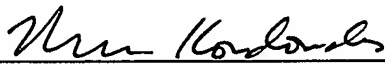
There being no further outstanding objections or rejections, it is submitted that the present application is in condition for allowance. An early action to that effect is courteously solicited.

If there are any additional fees associated with filing of this Amendment, please charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

Respectfully submitted,

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